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EDITORIAL.

The suggestion is offered by a phrase that before we have another big community meeting to be addressed by a stranger we first hold a public school of good manners.

The eagerness with which those managing social affairs have sought the use of the larger hall at Fourteenth and Michigan fully demonstrates the fact that such a place owned and operated by our people would prove a paying proposition. The big local fraternities are surely sleeping upon a fine opportunity.

In appropriating over one million dollars for Georgia secondary schools, only eight thousand went to Negro institutions, and this sum was not so provided until it was found to be illegal to use it for the white schools. Georgia lynched twice as many Negroes last year as did any other state, and it is evident that the "Crackers" do not intend to run out of material.

RACE NOTES.

At the Ohio state prison several Negroes attracted attention by their skill in making mechanical toys which were presented to state officials at Christmas.

At Ogden, Utah, colored men have supplanted white men as waiters at the Union railway station. Each receives a salary of \$60 per month. The change took place January 1.

Tuskegee Institute has sent a formal greeting to the newly elected principal, Major Robert R. Moten, in which he is assured of the high esteem of officers, faculty and students.

Even in Georgia justice sometimes carries a right. A white jury has just given a white man 99 years in prison for the murder of a colored woman whose offense was refusal to work for him.

At Charleston, W. Va., Negroes made a brave and manly fight against the "Birth of a Nation," billed for Christmas week. The mayor went to another city, saw the play and announced that he would prohibit it. The courts stepped in and by injunction allowed the play to proceed.

Montgomery Bell, a Negro, died at Las Vegas, N. M., last week and was buried with great ceremony, due to the sprightliness with which he had lived. All his pallbearers were white men, and the public offices were closed during the hour of the funeral. He was also said to be wealthy.

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—That the surly, uncouth and insulting Negro is a distinct handicap to the race.

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—That I. H. Bradbury of St. Louis is the greatest hustler in the state. He was the high captain in the recent Y. M. C. A. campaign in that city.

—That there are several Negroes in this city whose conscience must hurt them, knowing as they do that they owe this paper and will not pay.

—That a certain man who said last year he would not eat anything but the hind leg of a rabbit, eats any part he can get this year. Must be hard times.

—That at a recent revival while everybody was shouting, somebody dropped a bottle of whiskey, and it was such "high proof" that the fumes like to have choked everybody to death.

—That a certain sharp dude who is always looking for the best of it saw an advertisement in an Eastern paper which said "that if you send us 25 cents we will send you a substantial and handsome coat hanger and a never-falling cigar lighter," so he hurriedly sent 25 cents, and he received in a few days neatly wrapped a ten penny nail and a plain every day match. Well, he got what he asked for, didn't he?

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES

Swimming after "gym" class is very popular with the men. "Every member swim" is the slogan.

Prof. N. Clark Smith's initial band concert and drill of this season at the Y. M. C. A. on next Friday night, January 14, will be a treat to music lovers.

The attendance in both the boys' game room and gymnasium classes is better this year than ever before. The High School boys are beginning to see and use the many privileges offered them by the association.

"The Right Way" is the subject of the address by Evangelist Howard of Nashville, Tennessee, now conducting the revival service at Allen Chapel, who will address the men's meeting Sunday, January 9, 3:30 p. m.

Prof. G. N. Grisham, having become official score-keeper of the Noonday "gym" class, increased zest and enthusiasm is shown by the members of this class.

The men are taking advantage of their privileges and at each session of the class new faces are showing up. A special effort is made to adapt the exercises to the individual need of the men.

The friends and members of the Y. M. C. A. are to be congratulated over the fine results of the first year in the building. From present indications there will be only a small deficit on the current expense, if any at all, when the books are balanced for the year. At the beginning of December there was a deficit of nearly \$1,000. Through the combined efforts of friends and members, led by the Committee of Managers, the present healthy financial condition obtains. Tuesday, January 11, 8 p. m., the Committee of Managers will be nominated. All active members are invited to be present.

SENATOR CUMMINS' VIEWS.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 22, 1915.
Hon. Nelson C. Crews, 1803 East Eighteenth St., Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir: I am inclosing to you some personal correspondence with Senator A. R. Cummins and also statements from him regarding his vote on the agricultural extension bill. These articles show his attitude toward the Negro and toward the great political questions that have arisen with regard to the Negro voter in the Southern states.

In sending these to you I am asking of you two favors. First, please be kind enough to publish them in your excellent paper; second, kindly study the senator's position and see if he does not stand exactly where the Negro citizens desire a president to stand, and then let me know if you will give to him your support for the high office which his friends are seeking for him.

Des Moines, Ia., December, 1915.

Senator Cummins: Dear Sir—Do you consider the war amendments to the federal constitution as dead letters so far as they affect the Negro citizens of this country? If not, is it your opinion that the Republican party will enforce them in the future if it is returned to power?

What is your attitude regarding the re-enfranchisement of the Negro citizens in the Southern states?

Do you not consider it unjust to the loyal Negro Republicans of the South to cut down their representation in the national convention and still allow that great disproportion of representation to continue in the congress of the United States?

Are you not aware of the fact that if justice were done to the Negro in the South a number of the Southern districts would send Republicans to congress and that several of the Southern states would be debatable ground in the presidential campaigns?

I submit these questions because I am sure you do not desire us to submit to the domination of Tillman, Vardaman, and Smith, who are keeping the southern Negro out of politics.

Very truly yours,

I. M. JONES.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26, 1915.

My Dear Mr. Jones:

I have yours of the 28th inst., and I am very glad to give you my view with regard to the several matters of which you write. I do not consider the war amendments to the constitution as dead letters. I think they ought

to be enforced to the limit of federal authority.

Whether the Republican party can or will be able to pass such laws as will make these amendments fully effective is utterly impossible for me to predict. It is of course perfectly well known to you that in most of the Southern states they have so framed their constitutions that the discrimination is made in such a way that hitherto there has been found no plan through which the desired result could be attained. I believe, however, that the Republican party will do what ever can be done to better conditions in that respect.

I consider it a great wrong, as I have publicly declared many times, to allow the South a representation upon its population which includes the non-voting Negro men so long as their constitutions and laws are so adjusted as to prevent the Negro from voting and that until this injustice is repaired that representation in Congress should be based upon the voting population instead of upon the full population. I do not consider it unjust to cut down the representation of the South in our National Conventions to their voting strength, for I believe that those who actually do vote are entitled to control the policies of the party to which they belong, and I further believe that the change in the basis of representation in Conventions will be an influential force in restoring to the Negro his full rights. I am perfectly sure that if the Negro voted in the South as fully as he does in the North that there would be debatable ground in presidential campaigns.

In another letter the Senator writes:

Why I voted against the Jones amendment to the agricultural extension bill.

The facts are that in the agricultural extension bill there was a provision that in those states which had two or more agricultural colleges, the Legislatures of the states should determine what colleges ought to have the appropriation. Senator Jones of Washington offered an amendment which is a substantial copy of the law relating to former appropriations to agriculture colleges for colored people.

"I was making a speech against the provision in the bill permitting the Legislatures of the states to decide where the appropriation should go, for it was perfectly manifest that if the Legislatures were permitted to decide the matter the colored colleges in the South would get no benefit whatever."

"I must have made some impression because during the course of my speech Senator Shafroth of Colorado rose and said that he thought I was right, and suggested instead of the Jones amendment to bill be so changed that it would require the joint act of the Governor of the states and the Secretary of Agriculture, and he asked

me what I thought of such a provision."

Impulsively and immediately I answered that such a provision would be better than the Jones amendment and I still think so.

It will do more to get part of this money into the hands of the colleges for colored people than the Jones amendment.

Shafroth immediately offered that sort of an amendment to the original bill, and it was adopted. Then Jones' amendment came up which would have stricken out what I had already secured and to which I had agreed, and of course I had to vote against the Jones amendment.

From the above statement it is very clear that Senator Cummins was the only man who succeeded in getting anything into this bill that would give the Negroes a chance for their rights.

Sincerely yours,

I. M. JONES.

HELENA, MONT.

Better health—greater happiness—more prosperity—is the wish of the writer to all, and as the New Year, 1916, came in, may it push out of our hearts all evil hatred—malice—jealousy and envy (if there were any) and fill us with kindness and love.

What a gay, glorious Christmas week and New Year's for the little folks whom had real grown-up folks' dinners, parties and dances. On Christmas Day little Marian Lucas entertained her young friends at her home to moving picture show, slides being shown by J. W. Clarke. The guests were delighted with the affair.... Little Leota Walker entertained Sunday at dinner a few of her friends.... On Monday, Little Hazel Cottlar gave a children's party, and dainty refreshments were served.... On Tuesday, December 28, Naomi Household of Ruth No. 842 held their election of officers.... Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, December 30, an eight-pound baby girl.... Miss Helen Christie and two brothers, Horace and Ellsworth, are visitors during the holidays from Townsend.... Miss Knott of Great Falls and Miss Cavanaugh of Great Falls spent the holidays in Helena.... Mr. and Mrs. J. Ridley of Butte were Helena visitors last week.... On Sunday afternoon Mr. Merrill gave a matinee to the young debutantes.... On Tuesday the young girls gave a Leap Year skating party; after enjoying skating, the young men were

taken to the restaurant and shown how to spend their money.... Wednesday, Mr. Arthur Ford had several of his friends to the movies, and later at his home, where refreshments were served.... On Thursday, Mrs. H. Carnell entertained the young people with music and dancing. Miss Knott and Miss Cavanaugh were the honored guests.

Friday night the Literary Society held its meeting with an excellent program.... Mrs. Etta White is quite sick.... Mrs. G. W. Alexander is on the sick list.... Mrs. E. G. Cole has the grip.... Mrs. C. C. Matthews, Mrs. Napper and Mr. Jeff Harrison are convalescent.... Rev. C. N. Douglas, presiding elder of the Helena district, and his sister, Mrs. Fannie Johnson, of Missoula, are both sick with la-grippe.... Miss Antoinette Williams has gone to Wilberforce college.... Mr. Arthur Ford returned to Bozeman to resume his study.... Mrs. A. J. Butler has returned to Helena after a year's visit in Salt Lake.... Mrs. Ada Salburg gave a dinner Christmas to a few of her friends.... After a week's visit with his family, Mr. G. W. Lee, Sr., has returned to Boulder.... Mrs. Mattie McGinnis has returned home, after a week's visit in Missoula, the guest of her cousins.... The weather is quite cold, registering 20 below zero, with a light snow; ideal weather for skating, but not any sleighing this winter.... Mrs. Jeff Harrison had a miraculous escape from serious injury when on Wednesday her range exploded; her stove was a total wreck, and Mrs. Harrison badly frightened.... Mr. J. H. Hillard, deputy S. C. of Montana, leaves soon on a tour of Montana in the interest of the K. of P. lodge.... Mrs. L. T. Day of Livingston family, of Helena, is reported sick with la-grippe.

ROCHEPORT, MISSOURI.

Mrs. Annabelle Barnett of Columbia was here Sunday visiting relatives.

Mrs. Buelah Gray of Columbia was here to see her mother, who was seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Smith spent part of the holidays in Sedalia with Mrs. Smith's mother.

Mr. Shadrach Kimbrough was called here owing to the death of his mother, Mrs. Polle Chocran.

Mesdames Brooksey Smith, Nettie Smith and Arezella Gray of Columbia spent Christmas with home folks here.

Mrs. Polle Chocran, who has been very ill with pneumonia, died Thursday night, December 29, and was buried in Columbia Saturday, January 1. She was a member of Macedonia Temple of Rocheport and a member of the A. M. E. church.

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